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APPARATUS**

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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

S I R :

Applicant requests that the time for taking action in this case be extended pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) for:

- ☒ one month (55/110)      ☐ four months (720/1420)  
☐ two months (200/400)      ☐ five months (980/1960)  
☐ three months (460/920)

☐ Applicant is a small entity entitled to pay reduced fees in this application. A verified small entity statement:

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☒ Response to Official Action

☐ Notice of Appeal

☐ Appeal Brief

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